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5 Applicant(s): Ping-Wen Ong
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10 Examiner: Thu V. Huynh

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Title: Method and Apparatus for Persistent Access to Web Resources
Using Variable Time-Stamped

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SIR:

25 In response to the outstanding Office Action, dated June 26, 2002, please
amend the above-identified patent application as follows. A version of the amendments,
which have been marked to show all changes, is included in the Appendix.

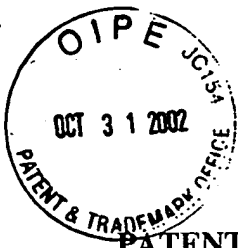
IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 1, as follows:

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35 The Online Computer Library Center, Inc. ("OCLC"), a nonprofit computer
library service and research organization, provides a software tool, referred to as OCLC
PURL ("Persistent Uniform Resource Locator"), for managing Internet addresses and aliases
for general Internet resources. A Persistent Uniform Resource Locator provides flexible
naming and name resolution services for Internet resources to ensure reliable, long-term
access to Internet resources with minimal maintenance. Generally, OCLC PURL assists
Internet users in locating Web resources. As previously indicated, the Internet is constantly
expanding and changing. Once a Uniform Resource Locator changes, all previous references
40 to that URL become invalid, thereby preventing users from accessing the Internet resource.



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Submitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Office Action relating to the above-identified patent application. There is no additional claim fee due in connection with the Amendment. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No. 50-0762** as required to correct the error. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully,

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